

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2001

Docket No. R2001-1

**OBJECTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO THE OFFICE  
OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE'S INTERROGATORIES OCA/USPS-T43-3  
(December 20, 2001)**

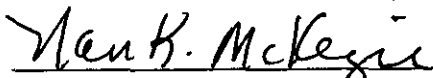
In accordance with Rules 25 and 26 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Postal Service hereby objects to interrogatories OCA/USPS-T43-3 to witness Schenk, filed on December 10, 2001. Witness Schenk appeared for oral cross-examination on December 18, 2001, among the first (or "pre-holiday") group of Postal Service witnesses. The period for discovery (other than legitimate follow-up) directed to such witnesses ended under the schedule on November 26, 2001. *See Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R2001-1/1* (September 27, 2001), *Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R2001-1/9* (November 14, 2001). Interrogatory OCA/USPS-T43-3 is not legitimate follow-up and is therefore untimely.

Respectfully submitted,

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